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RALLY DAY SEPTEMBER 26.

Dr. Miller, president of Heidelberg University, will be with us on that day. It will be a great privilege to hear him.

Slogan for Rally Day: "An Every Member Attendance," at every service, Sabbath School, church services, and the young people's meeting.

Rally Day will also be Educational Day for Grace Church. Dr. Miller will have something to say about Heidelberg and Christian education.

The special offering on Rally Day will be for current expenses. We should have liberal offerings on that day. Special envelopes will be provided for the offering.

The choir is preparing special music for the day. We are quite sure the choir will take care of that part of the program.

Get busy among young friends and neighbors who are not connected with any church in the city and get them out to the services on Rally Day. We should have a large enrollment of new scholars in the Sabbath School. There are men and women in the church who are not enrolled in the Bible Classes: get them in line for that day.

Every woman in the church is solicited by the Aid Society to earn in some way a dollar for the Society by the time for the monthly meeting in November. You have about two months yet in which to earn your dollar. It is an easy thing to do this. This issue of the Visitor will be certain to get into every home in the church, and every woman will be sure to be informed of this announcement of the Aid Society. We are anxious to announce later the names of all who will earn their dollars.

The autumn days are here again, and vacation days are a thing of the past. The summer months were not so favorable for outings at the parks and lakes, and yet it was restful to get out of the city for a while. A change generally does some good, and recreation is invigorating and healthful. With all of the cold and inclement weather of the summer there has not been very much sickness. The probabilities are that we may have a pleasant autumn and fall to make amends for the bad weather of the summer months. We are glad to see our families back again and to be at home ourselves, and we hope all are ready to take up the work of the church with new inspiration and vigor, and that parents, young people and children will at once be in their places in the Sunday School, prayer meetings and church services, and be ready for any work that may be assigned to them. The pastor was only away from the church one Sabbath during the summer. He was glad to come back from the lake for the Sabbath services and keep in touch with the work and the people. He was pleased to see the good attendance at the Sabbath School and church services. The young people took care of the Wednesday evening prayer meetings and the Sabbath evening service at 6:45. We are glad for the enthusiastic spirit of the young people. They are now planning for an aggressive campaign of work for the fall and winter. They should have the support and the encouragement of the whole church in their projects. Let us all get right into the work and make our efforts tell for the Lord and His Kingdom. Let us mobilize our forces and get into the battle.

WHY THE PARSON DID'T "MAKE THE PACE."

The Story of a Pertinent and Profitable Parable.

By Rev. Joseph Kennard Wilson, D. D.
In the Christian Endeavor World.

"Tell me you're goin' to swap parsons up to th' White Church," remarked Simeon Barton's visitor casually.

"Y-e-s," I believe so; that is, Mr. Crane has sent in his resignation. Church hasn't acted on it yet."

"What's the trouble?"

"Why," replied his host hesitatingly, "I don't really know. To tell the truth, nobody seems to know. All there is about it, things don't seem to be getting ahead, and he thinks he'd better go."

"Been here quite a spell, ain't he?"

"Let's see, just about fifteen years. Yes, quite a long while for these times."

"Gettin' a little old for ye?"

"Old? Why, no; he's only a little rising forty, a young man yet."

"Mebbe he don't keep up his trainin'?" Tips up his sermon-bar'l too often, eh?"

"Not a bit of it! He's a hard student, and the best preacher in town. Everybody grants that. Strangers wonder how we can keep him in such a place as Ryeboro."

"Lettin' off color outside? Shies now an' then? Don't pay his bills, or somethin'?"

Barton laughed.

"Why, man, you're 'way off! There isn't a better or squarer man in town than Elder Crane, nor one more respected. No, sir; he's all right!"

"What's bitin' you, then? What you lettin' him go for? If I could get a hold of a hoss as near perfect for a hoss as you say he is as a man, I wouldn't part with him for love or money."

"W-e-l-l," responded the other, "that's the puzzle of it. The church doesn't seem to be getting anywhere. Good congregations Sunday morning, but that's about all. Sunday school running down, and prayer meeting run-

ning out. O, I don't know what to make of it. Seems strange."

"How many did you have at prayer meetin' last Wednesday?"

"O, perhaps twenty or twenty-five. I don't know; I wasn't there."

"Why not?"

"Well, let me see." A dull flush came into the speaker's cheek. "I don't quite remember; I guess I was tired, or busy, or something."

"Why, I thought you allus went to prayer meetin' when I was about these parts."

"Y-e-s, I did. But somehow I've got out of the way of it; don't just know why, either. Ought to go oftener than I do, I suppose."

Joe Dooley kept silence for a while.

"By the way," he broke out suddenly, "what's come of that class of boys you used to have in Sunday School,—the Grimes boy, an' young Jim Berry, an' Tom Jackson's kid, an' the rest? I remember you was telling me a lot about 'em when I was here once; seem'd 'a if you thought you had a string of presidents an' governors an' such like in th' bunch. How they turnin' out?"

Barton laughed, a trifle embarrassedly.

"Why, to tell the truth, I haven't that class any longer. Gave it up when I was sick with typhoid, you know."

"But that was as much as three year ago."

"Yes, but somehow I never went back to Sunday School after I got well. Had got into the habit of staying at home, you see; and such habits grow on a man, particularly when he gets along to the middle of life."

"What's become of the boys? Do they go still?"

"Why, n-o-o, I believe not. I know Elder Crane was quite anxious to get some of them back, but I think he didn't make out much at it. Too bad!"

Joe brought down square upon its four legs the chair in which he had been tipped back, picked up his hat, and settled it on his head as if for immediate departure.

"Look a-here, Sim," he said slowly, "I've got a lettle somethin' I'd like to say to you an' to that bloomin' lot of people up to th' White Church. You know I don't go much on religion, an' I don't pertend to know much about it. Hosses is my line, an' I claim to know somethin' 'bout them. But hosses an' folks ain't a so drefful fur apart, after all. Didn't Shakespeare say, 'All th' world 's a hoss-trot'?"

"Not just that, I believe," smiled his host. "What he said is, 'All the world's a stage.'"

"Near 'nough. I knowed it was somethin' you church people make b'lieve you're awfully shocked over. Now th' thing is jest here: Your parson ain't makin' the pace, 'cordin' to what you say. T'other parsons are givin' him their dust. When th' tally-sheets are reckoned up, he's likely to be an 'also ran,' a 'has been.' Now, there's a reason for that somewhere, an' it's good hoss-sense to find out what it is. When a hoss goes stale on me, I c'n-sider that it's up to me to bore into th' thing until I see daylight. Don't ketch me putterin' round an' sayin' it's a 'puzzle,' an' 'I don't understan' it.' Not so you would notice it! I'm goin' to understan' it, or quit the bizness. So I look th' hoss over carefully. Mebbe it's a case of not bein' looked after as he should. Mebbe he needs more oats. Mebbe he's strained himself somehow. Mebbe he's jest playin' it on me. But, whatever it is, I don't stop until I find out. Until I find out, you understan'! Then, if I can't find th' trouble in the hoss, I go for th' sulky an' harness. Mebbe th' coon that oils ain't onto his job. Mebbe th' sulky don't balance right, or needs a new pair of wheels. Mebbe th' harness chafes somewhere. O, they's lots of things that c'n keep your hoss from comin' under th' wire in th' lead, even if he's as fit as a fiddle. Now what I'm comin' at is, whether you wouldn't better stop wonderin' 'bout that hoss, an' take a little squint at th' sulky an' harness. From what you tell me I should think that what you need

up yander ain't so much a new parson as a new kind of people. I guess this parson 'd do all right if you only give him a fair chance. 'Pears to me it's the sulky that's holdin' him back an' makin' th' trouble. Course 'tain't none of my bizness, an' I ain't no call to butt in. Only—only—well, Simmy, you know that was my mother's old church, an' sometimes— Well, so-long, old man! Come over to th' city an' see me soon. Tra la!"

(Continued in next issue)

SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTES.

Summer is now rapidly drawing to a close and while the general attendance has not been bad, we are planning for a larger attendance on Rally Day, and then we must keep it up; if you have been staying away, get back and see how easy it is to form the regular attendance habit.

Mr. Earl Dinger and Miss Esther Weiber have returned to Heidelberg University, where they will continue their studies. Mr. Dinger has been teaching during the summer and we regret very much that we are obliged to lose him at this time. However, we very much appreciate his help during the summer months.

We have been fortunate in getting a number of new scholars lately and trust all the classes will get to work at once to build up their membership.

Sunday, Sept. 26, will be Rally Day. This should mean a great deal to everyone interested in Grace Church.

Rally Day is not just a day for the Sunday School but should be a time of rallying for the whole church. It is the time when we expect to begin the active winter work after the inactivity of summer, and for that reason it is fortunate that we can have our Rally Day early this year. We have been promised the presence and help of Dr. Charles E. Miller, president of Heidelberg University, who will speak at each rally service. This is a rare opportunity for us to meet one of the prominent men of our church.

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RALLY DAY—ITS AIMS.

 REV. A. K. ZARTMAN, D. D., Editor and Pub.

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The Agenda Class gave a banquet in the church parlors on a recent Thursday evening to a number of their friends. They had a good time. The court trial was both interesting and amusing.

Mr. Charles Rogers was at the St. Joseph hospital for an operation for appendicitis a few weeks ago. He got along splendidly. He was not at the hospital quite two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Adams and little son made a trip to their former home at St. Louis during the month of August. They had a pleasant time among their old friends.

Mrs. Heyman and daughter Maneta spent the month of August with friends at Payne and Bellevue, Ohio.

Mrs. A. M. Henderson celebrated her 82nd birthday anniversary Monday, July 19th. She invited the members of her family and other friends in for tea and to spend the evening. Everybody enjoyed the evening. Mrs. Henderson was well and happy. She and Maggie know how to entertain their friends. We hope she may have many happy returns of her birthday anniversary.

The little two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Shuler, residing at 1333 Spy Run avenue, has been very ill. We are glad to know that the little fellow is now on the way of recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Close have returned from a great trip to the west through the Rockies to the Pacific coast, to the Panama Exposition, Santiago, etc. They had a splendid trip and an interesting time.

Mr. and Mrs. William Seebold and son Ralph have not yet returned from the coast. They expect to be home about the first of October. A recent post card from Mrs. Siebold was mailed at Los Catos, Calif., the home of Mrs. Schaaf and daughter Clara. They are having a delightful time.

Rally Day is now quite generally observed by the Protestant churches throughout the land and with good results. The object is to rally all the forces of the church for a vigorous and persistent campaign of work in the Master's Kingdom. The slogan for Rally Day in Grace Church this season is, "An Every Member Attendance" at the Rally Day services. This does not mean that attendance is to be the ulterior object of the day. Attendance plus inspiration and dedication to the Lord for continued and vigorous work in the Master's Kingdom. Rally Day and the every member attendance, and consecration to the Lord for service is a recognition of the fact that every member of the church and every child in the Sunday School should be a working unit in the Lord's vineyard. To be a Christian, to be allied in any way with the Lord, is to be a worker. It takes some people a long time to recognize the fact that if we are not bearing fruit for the Master we are none of His. Let every church member settle this matter definitely and finally in his mind and heart, that every new-born child of God is born into the Kingdom for service.

We want everybody out to the services, to all of the services, on Rally Day—parents, young people and the children—and bring some unsaved person with you, some child that is not in any Sunday School, some man or woman who has no church home. Come with your heart and soul burning with a new baptism of zeal and enthusiasm for the Lord's work. We have great opportunities before us and therefore great responsibilities for which we must answer some day. Let us come up to the help of the Lord against the mighty and make Rally Day a day of triumph and a day of rejoicing.

Our rally services will begin with the Sunday School at 9:30, and each of the services of the day should take on the nature of a rally. Let us all get to work and show what we can do.

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The Ladies' Aid Society is making arrangements for the Christmas sale again this year. They deserve the co-operation of all the women in the church. There is no reason why a few should shoulder all the responsibility of raising the necessary funds for church expenses. How many women never seem to have a moment's concern as to whether things go or not. A few have to do the work and make all the plans. There are any number of younger women in the church who should feel it their duty to help make things go. Don't wait until someone asks you for your contribution. Make your plans to do something and tell the ladies about it. When you are asked for a contribution please don't make the solicitor feel that you are doing it for a personal accommodation. It is your church and your work, and you should have an interest in making the work a success.

There are many avenues open for service. Don't plan and think for self all the time. Get out and see some of your fellow members. It will do you good and you will not be able to measure the good it will do them. Everyone loves to have friends. Be a friend to someone who may need you. Don't select a few people that you want as friends and spend all your time with them while others are yearning for comfort and companionship.

Do the most good to the greatest number you can.

Don't expect every church member to call upon you and you never make any effort to return the calls. Get under some of the church work yourself. Help to push and when pulling time comes help to pull. Your place must be filled by you or it will not be filled at all. Your work must be done by you or it will not be done at all. It must be undone in eternity if you do not do it now. Procrastination is the thief of more than one thing. Don't keep putting off until coronation day. If you are not doing your part your coronation day will never come.

Now is your time to show your loyalty to Christ and the church. There is never a better time than the present to serve God and humanity than just now. Help somebody today, inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto me. "Get busy now."

MARRIAGES.

Two of the Agenda boys have entered upon the matrimonial state since the last issue of the parish paper. Here are good wishes and hearty congratulations for them; may they be happy and prosperous.

Mr. Clarence W. Potts and Miss Ruth E. Siebold were married at the parsonage Saturday afternoon, Aug. 7. A brother of the groom and Miss May Seibold, sister of the bride, were attendants. Mr. Potts is employed at the Pennsylvania shops and is an industrious and stirring young fellow. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Seibold, residing at 1130 St. Marys avenue, and is a member of the young ladies' Progreda Class. Both are excellent young people.

August 22, 1895, the pastor united in holy matrimony the parents of the bride.

Mr. Ernest Baumgartner and Miss Nida Sharp were married at the Crescent Avenue Evangelical church Monday evening, Aug. 14. Mr. Earl Dinger and Miss Hilda Herman were attendants. A large number of the friends of the bride and groom were present to witness the ceremony. Mr. Baumgartner was president of the Agenda Class last year. His term of office expired August 1st. He is very active in the class and in all of the work and enterprises of the church. He is a contractor and is very successful in his work. The bride is the daughter of Mr. Lewis Sharp, residing at 937 Lake avenue. She is a member of the Plymouth Congregational church. She is a very accomplished and congenial young woman. These young people are residing at 1008 High street.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S PRAYER MEETING TOPICS.

Sept. 19.—World Ideas, and How Foreign Missions Will Promote Them,—Dan. 2:35-45. Leaders, Missionary Committee.

Sept. 26.—Shields Against Temptation,—Eph. 6:10-18. Leader, Clarence Aiken.

Oct. 3.—What Will Make Our Society a Greater Success?—John 4:27-36. Leader, Loretta Gooley.

Oct. 10.—Be a Leader! Be a Follower!—I. Sam. 14:1-16; 18:1-4. Leader—Helen Trisch.

Oct. 17.—The Responsibility of Our Society for the Christian Endeavor Unions—Local, State and National,—Ps. 133:1-3. Leader—Evan Williams.

Oct. 24.—Capturing Politics for God,—Ps. 33:8-22. Leader—Rev. Zartman.

Oct. 31.—Increase and Efficiency; Two Permanent Christian Endeavor Ideals,—Eph. 4:1-16. Leader—Esther Fritz.

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